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I am Gladys Coelho Baisa, Upcountry Maui County Council candidate. I am a lifetime resident of Upcountry Maui and graduated from Maui High School. My career has been in nursing, accounting and nonprofit management. I served as Fiscal and Executive Director for Maui Economic Opportunity for 37 years, retiring last Dec. As a community action agency, MEO helps people and changes lives. I am married to Sherman Baisa and have three children.

I have served on over 75 various community organizations, and government entities. I have a strong interest in serving my community and politics and participate actively. I want to be a Council member to take my dedication to public service to a higher, decision making level. Maui County faces many tough issues. Maintaining our "local style" while balancing enough economic development to keep our economy strong is probably our great challenge. Affordable housing, transit, water and environmental issues are also very important. I feel that I can contribute my experience, knowledge, and dedication to serving others to the County Council and make a positive difference. I have a proven track record of being able to bring people together to work for the common good. I am ready to do whatever it takes, to perform the job of a public official to the best of my ability, to be honest and fair to all concerned, to promote good will, and make decisions that are beneficial to all concerned. I humbly ask the support of the voters of Maui County.